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PETITION TO WITHDRAW FROM ISSUE UNDER 37 CFR 1.313

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.313, the Applicants respectfully petition to withdraw this application from issuance as a patent. The application was allowed on September 13, 1999. The issue fee for the application was mailed to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on December 10, 1999.

The enclosed Petition fee of \$130.00 as required under 37 CFR § 1.17(i) for consideration of this Petition is enclosed. The Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees required for consideration of this Petition to Deposit Account No. 06-1382. A duplicate copy of this Petition is enclosed.

Applicants respectfully Petition to Withdraw this application from issue pursuant to 37 CFR § 1.383(b)(5) in order to permit consideration of an Informat nebusile Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR § 1.97 in a continued rosecution application filed simultaneously herewith.

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Specifically, in the Information Disclosure Statement, the Applicants call to the attention of the Patent and Trademark Office the documents cited in a Search Report for a corresponding foreign application. This Search Report was mailed by the foreign patent office after payment of the issue fee for this application.

It is respectfully submitted that the Applicants have satisfied the standards of 37 CFR § 1.313 in order to have the application withdrawn from issue and returned to the Examiner for further evaluation pursuant to the request for continued prosecution. Accordingly, prompt and favorable consideration of this Petition is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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